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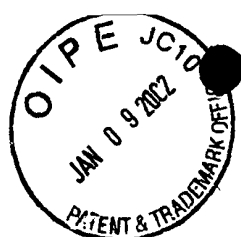
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In the application of:

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STRATIFIED SQUAMOUS  
EPITHELIUM AGAINST INJURY BY  
NOXIOUS SUBSTANCES AND  
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